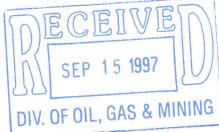


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Lynn Kunzler, Senior Reclamation Specialist Division of Oil, Gas and Mining 1594 West North Temple, Suite 1210 Salt Lake City, Utah 84114-5801

RE: Request Informal Hearing on Permit for Hot Springs Gravel Pit - Box Elder County

Dear Mr. Kunzler,

It is still the feeling of Jack B. Parson Companies, that the operation conducted at our Hot Springs sand and gravel pit does not constitute a mining operation. With this in mind, we would like to schedule an informal hearing to further discuss this matter as well as the applicability of permitting by the Division of Oil, Gas and Mining.

Please let me know if this is acceptable, and if so when it would be convenient to schedule the hearing. If you have any questions, I can be contacted at (801) 732-4070.

Sincerely,

Paul Glauser

Environmental Advisor